GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1776
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Yamunanagar-Chandigarh Rail Line
Kataria Shri Rattan Lal

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways has decided to lay a new railway line from Yamunanagar to Chandigarh;

(b) if so, the present status of the project;

(c) whether any talks have taken place between Minister of Railways and Chief Minister of Haryana regarding this railway project and if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether Centre and States have planned any joint co-ordination agency to complete pending railway projects; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS
(SHRI MANOJ SINHA)
(a) to (e): Yamunanagar-Chandigarh New Line project (91 km) was included in the Budget 2013-14 subject to the requisite government clearances. The erstwhile Planning Commission was approached for "in principle approval" for this project on socio-economic consideration. However, Planning Commission required State Government to provide land free of cost in addition to sharing 50% of the construction cost. The proposal could not be taken forward as State Government did not respond to Ministry of Railways' subsequent request to give land free in addition to 50% cost sharing. Regular coordination meetings including those by Project Monitoring Group are held with State Government at appropriate level to sort out issues related to ongoing projects.
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